

REMARKS

Claims 1-11, 14-28, and 36-38 are pending in this application. Claims 12, 13, and 29-35 have been canceled. Claims 21, 24, and 27 were withdrawn, but are now pending.

Applicant has amended paragraph [034] of the specification. Applicant noticed that in this paragraph, the description referred to “polycarbonate silanes” instead of “polycarbosilanes.” This error—and therefore the reason for the amendment—would have been obvious to the skilled artisan in light of the discussion throughout the remainder of the specification and especially the remainder of paragraph [034].

Restriction Requirement

Applicant acknowledges the finality of the restriction requirement of claims 12, 13, and 29-35 and the withdrawal of election of species requirement of claims 21, 24, and 27. Accordingly, Applicant has canceled claims 12, 13, and 29-35 and indicated that claims 21, 24, and 27 are now pending. Applicant did not designate claims 21, 24, and 27 as previously presented—as suggested by the Office in the Advisory Action—because these claims have never been amended and remain as originally filed.

Rejection Over Ohnaka et al.

Applicants thanks the Office for withdrawing the rejection of claims 1-11, 16-20, 22-23, 25, and 36-38 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Ohnaka et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,194,333) for the reasons listed in the Advisory Action.

Allowance of Claims

Since the Office has withdrawn the only pending rejection and Applicant has adopted the suggestions of the Office in the Advisory Action, all the pending claims should be condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, as well as those of record, Applicant respectfully requests the Office to allow this application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, including a fee for any extension of time not accounted for above, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-0843.

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